



With Christ as the Cornerstone, we will build a church of living stones, where every member is a minister and is equipped to express God's love by word and deed to all people.

Based on I Peter 2:5, 6

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# The Worship of God

Sunday, January 30

We ask that you please continue to wear a mask at all times while indoors, out of respect for the health and safety of all people joining us for worship. When congregational songs are sung in worship this morning, we invite you to listen prayerfully and participate in other safe ways if you feel so moved - feel free to stand, move, clap, drum on the pew in front of you, etc. Texts are provided for your personal reflection.

**Prelude** 

"O Love That Wilt Not Let Me Go" Cynthia Griesedieck

arr. John Purifoy

Welcome

Chrissy Tatum Williamson

### † Call to Worship

One: We gather today to worship the One who created us,

All: the One who created our neighbors,

One: the One whose love is more boundless than the sky,

All: the One whose grace is deeper than the ocean.

One: Grant us the courage and humility to accept your liberating love,

All: grant us the courage and humility to accept that you freely offer it

to all of our neighbors.

One: Help us always remember that we live in your great care,

All: which extends through us to all creation. Amen

<sup>†</sup> Please rise in body or spirit.

# **Opening Song**

### "Let Us Build a House (All Are Welcome)"

Words and Music by Marty Haugen

Let us build a house where love can dwell and all can safely live, a place where saints and children tell how hearts learn to forgive. Built of hopes and dreams and visions, rock of faith and vault of grace; here the love of Christ shall end divisions:

#### Refrain:

all are welcome; all are welcome in this place.

Let us build a house where hands will reach beyond the wood and stone to heal and strengthen, serve and teach, and live the Word they've known. Here the outcast and the stranger bear the image of God's face; let us bring an end to fear and danger: (Refrain)

Let us build a house where all are named, their songs and visions heard and loved and treasured, taught and claimed as words within the Word. Built of tears and cries and laughter, prayers of faith and songs of grace; let this house proclaim from floor to rafter: (Refrain)

### Children's Message

April Alston

# **Offertory Hymn**

"O For A World" GBC Virtual choir

Words by Miriam Therese Winter, Music by Carl Gotthelf Gläser

O for a world where everyone respects each other's ways, where love is lived and all is done with justice and with praise.

O for a world where goods are shared and misery relieved, where truth is spoken, children spared, equality achieved.

We welcome one world family and struggle with each choice that opens us to unity and gives our vision voice.

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The poor are rich; the weak are strong; the foolish ones are wise. Tell all who mourn: outcasts belong, who perishes will rise.

O for a world preparing for God's glorious reign of peace, where time and tears will be no more, and all but love will cease.

# **† Doxology**

"Doxology"

OLD HUNDREDTH; Words by Thomas Ken, Music from the Genevan Psalter

Praise God from whom all blessings flow.

Praise Him, all creatures here below.

Praise Him above ye heavenly host.

Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

## **Prayer of Dedication**

Iulie Green

**Scripture Reading** 

Isaiah 16:1-5

Sylvia Cash

Sermon

"Epiphanies of God's Love: God Cares" Chrissy Tatum Williamson

### Silent Reflection

Musical Reflection

"Open the Eyes of My Heart" GBC Virtual Choir

Words and Music by Paul Baloche

Verse 1:

Open the eyes of my heart, Lord. Open the eyes of my heart;

I want to see you; I want to see you;

(Repeat Verse 1)

Chorus:

To see you high and lifted up, shining in the light of your glory. Pour out your power and love as we sing "Holy, holy, holy."

(Verse 1, 2x)

(Chorus, 2x)

Verse 2:

Holy, holy, holy, holy, holy,

Holy, holy, holy, I want to see you.

(Repeat Verse 2)

<sup>†</sup> Please rise in body or spirit.

Pastoral Prayer April Alston

### **Invitation** Chrissy Tatum Williamson

# **Hymn of Response**

"Your Love Covers All" Christian McIvor

Words and Music by Christian McIvor ©2017

#### Verse 1:

Many are the roads that lead to You, Each one opens up a different view. Coming from the East and from the West, In countless forms your beauty is expressed.

### Prechorus 1:

We're all travelers on our way, in others' stories every day I see You.

#### Chorus:

Your love covers all, Your love covers all, Your love covers all and knows no bounds; Your love covers all, Your love covers all, Your love covers all and draws me in; So let me shine the light of Your love...

#### Verse 2:

All people of the earth, in every nation Compose the endless lifesong of creation. Everywhere I go, I see Your reflection, And everyone I meet, I feel Your connection.

#### Prechorus 2:

'Cause when I look into the face of the entire human race, I see You. (Chorus)

# **Celebrating Community**

Anna Beth Cross

**Benediction** Chrissy Tatum Williamson

**Postlude**"He's Waiting For You" by Ron Loree
Cynthia Griesedieck

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